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SUBJECT : AMVER AWARDS
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1. CONSULATE IN NICE REGULARLY RECEIVES AWARDS FOR WINNING
VESSELS MANAGED BY COMPANIES BASED IN THE PRINCIPALITY OF
MONACO.

2. THE CRITERIA FOR SENDING AWARDS TO NICE SEEMS TO BE THE
LOCATION OF THE MANAGER/OWNER COMPANY, AND NOT THE HOME PORT
OF THE VESSELS CONCERNED (I.E. LIBERIAN, GREEK OR ITALIAN
VESSELS MANAGED OR OWNED BY COMPANIES IN MONACO ARE PRESENTED
AWARDS THROUGH THIS CONSULATE).

3. IN PAST YEARS, A SIMPLE AWARD CEREMONY WAS HELD AT THE
CONSULATE FOR PRESENTATION OF THESE CERTIFICATES AND PENNANTS
TO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE WINNING VESSELS, AND WE WOULD BE
HAPPY TO ADD LOCAL FRENCH COMPANIES TO THE ROLLS. THE COMPANIES
TAKE A GREAT INTEREST IN THIS EVENT, AND THE PRESENCE, OFTEN,
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AT THESE CEREMONIES, OF THE ACTUAL MASTERS OF THE AWARD-
WIMMING VESSELS BRINGS THE IMPORTANCE OF THE AMVER SYSTEM
HOME FAR BETTER THAN SIMPLY RECEIVING AN IMPERSONAL CERTIFICATE
IN AN ENVELOPE FROM THE U.S.C.G. AT OUR LAST CEREMONY,
ON NOV. 22, 1977, THE PORT CAPTAIN OF MONACO, AS WELL AS
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INTERNATIONAL HYDROGRAPHIC
ORGANIZATION, ATTENDED THE CEREMONY, AND THE EVENT RECEIVED

GOOD COVERAGE FROM THE LOCAL PRESS.

4. IT WAS BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION DURING THIS CEREMONY THAT THE 1976 AWARDS FOR SHIPS OF THE TEXACO FLEET WERE ERRONEOUSLY AWARDED VIA THE U.S. EMBASSY IN LONDON, TO THE TEXACO LONDON OFFICE INSTEAD OF THROUGH THE MONTE CARLO OFFICE.

5. NICE 168, REPLYING TO STATE 100348, CONVEYED OUR DESIRE TO CONTINUE THE PRESENTATION CEREMONIES AS IN THE PAST. THE NAMES OF WINNING VESSELS IN NICE CONSULAR DISTRICT HAVE BEEN RECEIVED INCLUDING THOSE OF THE TEXACO FLEET. ALL WINNERS ARE SHIPS WHICH ARE MANAGED OUT OF MONACO.

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